

## Message Text

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ACTION SY-05

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O 061040Z JAN 78  
FM AMEMBASSY ROME  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 9675  
INFO AMEMBASSY VALLETTA IMMEDIATE

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DEPARTMENT FOR A/SY/OPS/FO

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: ASEC, MT  
SUBJECT: EMPLOYMENT OF CONTRACT GUARDS

REF: A. 77 DEPT. A-688, B. 77 VALLETTA 1500, C. 77 VALLETTA  
A-47, D. VALLETTA 0014, E. RSO MEMO TO PSO VALLETTA POUCHED  
1/5/78

1. RSO ROME POUCHED MEMORANDUM TO PSO VALLETTA ON JANUARY 5  
(INFO SY/FO) COMMENTING ON VALLETTA'S AIRGRAM CA-47 DATED  
DECEMBER 7, 1977 AND VALLETTA 1500 ON UNILATERAL WITHDRAWAL  
OF ARMED FORCES OF MALTA GUARDS FROM RESIDENCE AND CHANCERY.  
VALLETTA 0014 REQUESTING AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE CONTRACT  
GUARDS WAS RECIVED AFTER POUCHING OF RSO MEMORANDUM.

2. RSO AGREES GUARDS FOR AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE SHOULD BE  
CONSIDERED A PRIORITY ITEM.

3. VALLETTA CA-47 PROPOSED VARIOUS PLANS TO STRENGTHEN  
PHYSICAL SECURITY AT THE EMBASSY. PARAGRAPH 2-A OF VALLETTA  
0014 TIES USE OF PROPOSED CONTRACT GUARD AT EMBASSY TO PLAN  
"NO. 1 OF REF C" OF CA-47. THE RSO DOES NOT BELIEVE  
THIS PLAN ACCEPTABLE AS PROVIDING ADEQUATE DEGREE OF  
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SECURITY AND RECOMMENDED ALTERNATE PLANS TO POST.

4. VALLETTA AND DEPARTMENT ARE REQUESTED TO PLEASE  
REVIEW RSO MEMORANDUM OF JANUARY 5 BEFORE REACHING  
CONCLUSION OF MANNER IN WHICH ANY CONTRACT GUARD WILL  
BE UTILIZED AT THE EMBASSY BUILDING AND IN CONJUNCTION  
WITH WHICH PHYSICAL SECURITY PLAN. GARDNER

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